

October 3, 2008

<<LANDOWNER FIRST AND LAST NAME>> <<ADDRESS>> <CITY>>, CO <<ZIP>>

Dear << LANDOWNER FIRST AND LAST NAME>>

The Food Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 has become law and rule making is in process. As NRCS in Colorado prepares to deliver the conservation programs within the Bill, many of which provide cost-share and other financial assistance, we want to ensure that we develop a plan that meets the needs of our partners and customers and addresses the natural resource conservation priorities within the State.

As a result, we are holding a series of public input sessions designed to provide NRCS natural resource partners and customers the opportunity to share their natural resource conservation concerns, priorities and suggestions for program improvement and direction. Topics ranging from water compact and conservation to invasive species will be discussed and prioritized. We would like to hear from you in our process to develop a strategic plan and administer the conservation program provisions of the 2008 Farm Bill.

A total of ten meetings will be held across Colorado where topics ranging from invasive species to water conservation will be discussed and prioritized. The public input session within your watershed is being held at the Rifle Fire Station located at 1850 Railroad Avenue, Rifle, CO on September 24, 2008 from 10:00am – 12:00pm. Your input and expertise is important to help guide NRCS in Colorado's 2008 Farm Bill conservation program delivery.

If you plan to attend the Colorado River NRCS Conservation Program Public Input Session, please RSVP to Dennis.Davidson@co.usda.gov or call 970-945-5494. For additional information about this or the other input sessions across the state, please visit www.co.nrcs.usda.gov.

Sincerely,

<<DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST FIRST AND LAST NAME>> District Conservationist, <<CITY>>, CO

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